

ON THE PLACEMENT OF "PSEUDANARTA"  
FLAVIDENS GRT. (LEPID., PHALAENIDÆ)

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*Decatur, Illinois*POLIA<sup>1</sup> FLAVIDENS Grt.

- 1879, Grote, Bull. Geol. Surv. Terr., V, 205, *Hadena* (*Pseudanarta*).  
 1889, Smith, Ent. Amer., V, 179, *Pseudanarta*.  
 1893, Smith, Bull. U. S. N. M., XLIV, 149, *Pseudanarta*.  
 1903, Dyar, Bull. U. S. N. M., LII, 124, No. 1309, *Pseudanarta*.  
 1906, Hampson, Cat. Lep. Phal. B. M., VI, 195, pl. CI, f 11, *Pseudanarta*.  
 1908, Smith, Jour. N. Y. Ent. Soc., XVI, 88, *Pseudanarta*.

Described from specimens from Colorado, Mead and Henry Edwards. Beutenmueller, 1892, Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., IV, does not list a type in the American Museum of Natural History. Hampson, 1906, figures the species and lists a female type in the British Museum. We possess a specimen compared with this type by Dr. J. McDunnough.

The species has been correctly determined in collections, but all authors appear to have overlooked the fact that it has hairy eyes and therefore does not belong in the Cuculliinae, but falls into the Hadeninae. By Hampson's keys, 1905, Cat. Lep. Phal. B. M., V, it would run to the genus *Trichestra* Hamp., but appears to be there out of place.

The genera of the Hadeninae need revision, so we tentatively place the species with its allies *secedens* Wlk. and *basivirida* B. and McD. The three agree in possessing yellow basal areas on their secondaries, and lashed eyes, but differ considerably in characters of palpi and vestiture. It is probable that three distinct genera will ultimately be erected for these three species, but for the present they can rest in "*Polia*."

<sup>1</sup> Sense Hampson, 1905. We are cognizant that *Polia* is a Tentamen genus with type *flavicincta*, belonging to the subfamily Cuculliinae; merely republished by Ochsenheimer, 1816, who credits to Hübner. Hampson, 1907, Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (7), XIX, 252, uses *Miselia*, with type designated as *conspersa*, in place of *Polia*. But *Miselia* is also a Tentamen genus, with type *oxycantha*, belonging in the subfamily Cuculliinae; merely republished by Ochsenheimer, 1816, who credits to Hübner. Like most European workers, Hampson has refused to accept generic names unless they were accompanied by a description in words, and not only rejects the Tentamen, but also the genera of Ochsenheimer. He, therefore, lists both *Polia* and *Miselia* from Treitschke, 1825. Probably the correct generic name for the bulk of the species placed by Hampson in *Polia*, or *Miselia*, will be *Hadena* Schr.